

plaudit "*well done, good and faithful servant!*" Other cherished ones, that so often gladdened our hearts on such festive occasions, are still, blessed be God, on the land of the living, although absent from us at this holy season. We think on each other, and our prayers ascend up to heaven on each other's behalf. The time is fast approaching when we all shall meet above in that beautiful place prepared for us, where the inhabitants shall never say I am sick, and where we shall be for ever with the Lord. In obedience to the word "we comfort each other with these words."

This, dear reader, may appear visionary to some of you, but blessed be God the spirit life is a

glorious reality. Many, very many of our kind readers, who last year took an interest in our journal and read our editorials, we trust with some degree of profit, have gone from us never to return to earth again, *unless "as ministering spirits."* In spirit we follow our friends; occasionally we see them in dreams, in visions of the night; but by and bye we shall see them face to face in a land of unmingled pleasure and delight, far above the sun—yes, above every star and planet that twinkles in our evening sky. "*Far above all heavens,*" where Christ himself has gone. Then let us all commence 1869, with a new life, and be constantly thinking of Jesus, and preparing for our future home.

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#### THE WIDOW'S SON OF NAIN.

By the death of Chr't and his glorious resurrection from the dead, and ascension into heaven he brought "*life and immortality to light*": that is he showed to the human family the certainty of a future state. On one occasion he declared: "*The hour is coming and now is, when all that are in their graves shall hear the voice of the Son of God;*" and in confirmation of this fact he performed some of the most stupendous miracles imaginable. One of these we feel will be interesting to our friends, as the subject of the present editorial.

Our numerous readers will now take a walk with us while, in imagination, we accompany our blessed Lord, as he journeyed on foot from Capernaum to Nain, a distance of

about thirty of our miles. On this tour he was attended by his disciples and "much people," who were most anxious to hear his words of wisdom and his symbols, or parables containing the deep mysteries of his kingdom.

And never until Christ comes again shall men have such evidence of the divinity of their Teacher, as is now prepared for us who attend him in this journey. For the Father, in consideration of the weakness of our faith, has prepared a scene whereby to glorify his Son in our sight, a scene which was intended to secure him due honor in Nain; it was, therefore, exhibited without the gate, and in the presence of a great concourse of the townsmen.

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